

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully submit that Amendment K filed on March 22, 2006 addresses and overcomes the Examiner's rejections in the Final Rejection. Since a RCE is being filed herewith, Amendment K should now be entered and considered by the Examiner.

Amendment

Applicants are filing this amendment merely to correct the dependency of Claim 188. This claim should have been dependent on Claim 31. Through a typographical error, it was made dependent on Claim 33. As a result, Claims 188 and 190 are currently duplicative. Therefore, Claim 188 is being amended to correct this error. No new matter has been added. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that this amendment be entered and allowed.

Information Disclosure Statement

Applicants are filing an information disclosure statement to bring related applications 10/951,072 (filed September 27, 2004) and 10/951,065 (filed September 27, 2004) to the Examiner's attention. Each of these applications is a divisional of the present application. Applicants are submitting the published copy of each application.

Applicants also filed an information disclosure statement (IDS) on January 26, 2006.

It is respectfully requested that these IDSs be entered and considered at this time.

As a RCE is being filed herewith, no fee is believed due for these IDSs. If any further fee should be due, please charge our deposit account 50/1039.


Conclusion

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and should be allowed.

If any fee should be due for this amendment, please charge our deposit account 50/1039.

Favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,


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